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Financing Next Year's Campaign.
Former Senator Dorsey, now of California, interviewed in London about American politics, said:

"Mr. Roosevelt is a candidate for re-election, and has been a candidate for some time. The impression is growing that he is the only man able to handle the peculiar situation that has developed in the United States in the last few years. I am convinced that he is the only man with whom the republicans can beat Mr. Bryan.

"Though I am a strong republican, I believe that Mr. Bryan would make a good President, notwithstanding he has never held office. He is the strongest man in the democratic party, and, unlike Roosevelt, he does not go around with the big stick.

Just before leaving home I had interviews with several republican leaders. Their chief fear is of Mr. Bryan's growing strength. I don't think Gov. Hughes would make any show against him. I don't doubt Mr. Bryan would be able to raise a larger campaign fund than Mr. Roosevelt."

Mr. Dorsey used to be an authority on campaign funds. It was he who in the Garfield and Arthur campaign raised the money which was found necessary in the closing days of that fight to finance the election in Indiana. He again was in Indianapolis in the nick of time, and what he brought answered as an offset to the work the democrats had collected for their purposes. After the election, at a public celebration of the victory, Vice President-elect Arthur complimented Mr. Dorsey on his work for the ticket.

But from whose sources is Mr. Bryan to get his money? His admirers are numerous, and all of them will doubtless contribute, but the sum total of such collections is never large. Sums of \$50, and \$100, and \$1,000 would have to pour in liberally to count in a great contest which eats up the dollars. Mr. Dorsey may think that in some way the leading corporations which Mr. Roosevelt has offended will help Mr. Bryan through a spirit of revenge. Just now the feeling in that quarter against the President is high. But will it manifest itself as Mr. Dorsey seems to suppose next year?

For answer we have only to consider what happened three years ago when many big money concerns spent largely to try to defeat Mr. Roosevelt for re-nomination. They are no more prejudiced against him now than they were then. They did their level best, but in the end had to support him. When forced to choose between him and the party he represented and the combination which Judge Parker represented, they fell in humbly behind the man they had for months been scheming to retire.

Will they do this again? If put to it, undoubtedly. If public sentiment, or what you will, forces the re-nomination of Mr. Roosevelt next year, and the choice is between him, with the flag of the republican party in his hand, and Mr. Bryan, with his popular delinquencies and leanings, the most extreme of the plutocratic opponents of the President—even Mr. Harriman and Pierpont Morgan themselves—will work for the republican ticket with might and main. The Roosevelt ills may be very unpalatable, but Wall Street could not be persuaded to fly to those Mr. Bryan and his friends would usher in.

The Murphy-McClellan Bargain.
It is now asserted that the basis of the McClellan-Murphy peace agreement is that Mr. McClellan is to secure the support of the Tammany vote in the state legislature to kill the recount bill, while he is to abandon his efforts to defeat Murphy at the next primaries and secure a change of leaders. Incidentally, it is stated, Murphy has obtained promises that Police Commissioner Bingham will be either dismissed from office or forced to abate the enthusiasm with which he is undertaking to close up the illegal resorts in New York. Thus, if the case stands as stated, McClellan secures immunity from a possible ouster from office by Hearst and gives in exchange a free hand to Murphy in the primaries and the lieutenants in the maintenance of the gambling dives and the law-breaking saloons and other establishments in which they are deeply interested.

There are, of course, some high-sounding statements by both sides, about the appointment of the best men to office, and non-interference with the mayor by Murphy or his friends, and the enforcement of the law, and all that. But few people in the big city are deceived. Everybody understands that those who are putting forth these statements are winking as they talk. The bargain is a plain one, the mayor's official life guaranteed in trade for immunity from interference.

It is hardly to be expected that Gen. Bingham, at the head of the police department, will acquiesce in this sort of a bargain. He is bent upon reforming the force and making it do its work. He knows full well that he is faced by one of the hardest propositions ever put before a man, and thus far he has struggled bravely against odds. If it is true that the police raids and shifts and punishments are to be stopped there will undoubtedly be a vacancy at the head of the department, either voluntary or forced, or Theodore Bingham is not the man he is today believed to be.

Perhaps it can be shown by a clever lawyer that Douglas and Bennett were merely victims of an acute attack of dementia graffiana.

Secretary Taft continues to speak with more confidence about Panama than about Ohio.

Airship Progress.
Never before so many men of science working to solve the problem of so-called human flight, that is to say, the production of the practicable airship. The dirigible balloon, however, is at present the nearest approach to the goal yet scored, and it is far from answering the requirements. It navigates the only under propulsive conditions, and its range is limited to a few miles. Santos-Dumont, who has done perhaps more than any other one man to bring this type of balloon to a high state, has been working lately along the lines of the aeroplane, which the late Prof. Langley failed to demonstrate on a working scale. Santos-Dumont's machine, which combines the automobile and the aeroplane, has been put through some interesting and suggestive paces in Paris, but it is not regarded yet as a practicable device. Its flights have been short and its descents abrupt.

Prof. Alexander Graham Bell, interviewed

In London, offers the prediction that the ideal "flying machine" will soon be forthcoming, and that the aerial battleship is a strong probability for the near future. He cites his own experiments with the multi-cell kite, which he has brought to the point of supporting itself and a man in a ten-mile breeze. He proposes now to work on a machine which will carry an engine of fifteen-horsepower, weighing 120 pounds. His hope is to evolve an apparatus that will enable future experimenters to sustain themselves in the air long enough to study the conditions and to "learn how to fly."

The issue still lies between the gas-bag apparatus and the "heavier than air" machine. It has been fairly well demonstrated that the gas-bag is unlikely ever to figure in the ideal flying machine, save as an auxiliary. The primary requirement is that the machine must use the wind, and not be helped by it. No gas-bag, or cylinder, however strongly propelled, can be expected to ride the breeze at a practicable speed in any direction but that of the wind itself. Much progress has been scored in the evolution of an engine suitable for use in some form of air craft. The Wright brothers have produced a machine that combines power and lightness, but until the aeroplane itself is made strong enough to withstand the strains of the air currents the combination for which Prof. Bell looks so confidently will not be attained.

One of the latest suggestions in this direction has been that air craft may be propelled by electric currents transmitted by means of the wireless system. While this is interesting, it is not particularly inspiring of hope. It is true that the possibilities of the Herzyan waves are only just being appreciated, and the field for experimenters in this line is very wide. The wireless ship would indeed be a triumph of twentieth century ingenuity.

Hearst and His Politics.
Replying to the charge that he is no longer a democrat, Mr. Hearst says: "I am a firm believer in the principles which Jefferson enunciated, and which I believe Lincoln revived, interpreted and exemplified. I believe absolutely, not only in Jefferson's theory of equal rights for all, but in the practical application to every phase of public policy. I believe in Jefferson's government for the greatest good of the greatest number, and in Lincoln's government of the people, by the people, for the people. I would have been a democrat in Jefferson's day, and a republican in Lincoln's day; but whether I can properly be classified as a democrat in the present day is a matter which I admit is subject to legitimate doubt."

"In conclusion, let me say that in my opinion there is no question about the value of the initiative and referendum, and let me add I have advocated the same measures for many years, and what is more to the point, we have succeeded in Los Angeles, where I have a newspaper, in putting them into such practical operation that they are embodied in the city charter and employed in the city government."

Mr. Hearst should not allow a little thing like this to vex him. Never mind about mere tags. What voter can say what he is or where he is these days? It's a wise man that knows his own party. Change and dismay in all around we see, and the protean performance still goes on. Take a glance at the confusion.

Republicans of the Harriman school insist that Mr. Roosevelt is a democrat, with anarchistic trimmings. Mr. Bryan asserts that Mr. Roosevelt has stolen a good deal of his thunder, and to that extent is a democrat. Many Roosevelt republicans declare that both Mr. Fairbanks and Mr. Foraker are reactionaries, and therefore no longer republicans.

Democrats of the Cleveland school sneer at Mr. Bryan's democracy. They ticket it as populism, pure and simple. If they may believe them, there is not a democratic bone in Mr. Bryan's body. The Bryan men in reply characterize Mr. Cleveland as a republican, and incline to the belief that he disrupted the republican party purposely. New York republican bankers, they claim, always had more influence with him than the recognized leaders of the democratic party. And so it goes.

The New York World should enlarge its very interesting and pertinent question. While endeavoring to discover what is a republican, it should also inquire as to what is a republican. Not with a view of settling either question—for that is not important just now—but for the purpose of making good "copy." The public likes the subject, and will read clever contributions to it.

But, in passing, observe the sly dig Mr. Hearst gives Mr. Bryan as to the initiative and referendum. "Why," he says in substance, "I've been in favor of it for some time. The policy, in fact, is already operating in a small way in a western town where I print one of my newspapers. If you want a thing done come to me. Codlin Hearst, and not Short Bryan, is the friend."

These are very beautiful times, taking everything into consideration, and they are likely to last for at least eighteen months longer. And what the result will be in November of next year is as pretty a picture as any old political forecaster ever tackled.

The Canal.
In some remarks at Cincinnati Secretary Taft said:

"If the Panama canal is not completed within eight years from now I shall be greatly disappointed. If it is completed in less time than that I shall not be greatly surprised."

garded as perfectly good practice to use lead. If Representative Waldo knows whereof he speaks, and has testimony to offer as to the tricks of contractors and the slackness of government inspectors, he should surely report to headquarters and prefer his charges in a regular manner. Post-prandial speeches by members of the House of Representatives are not regarded as the best media for the utterance of such serious accusations. Mr. Waldo is an officer of the government, and is intrusted with a responsibility that is not discharged when he springs a surprise on a crowd of diners.

It is hardly to be believed that the shoddy tricks such as those alleged can be or are played upon the government by either the contractors or the government-yard workmen. Our battleships have certainly not shown symptoms of having soap-plugged holes in their hulls, but are giving as good a account of themselves in their voyages and their maneuverings as may be expected from the best built war craft in the world. As for the relative merits of the rival systems of construction, by contract or at government yards, that is too big a question to be belittled and complicated by haphazard statements of this character.

Mr. Roosevelt has not retracted his announcement that he will not run again, but his admirers insist on constructing hypothetical questions on the subject.

It would not be strange if Mr. Loeb experienced the desire to become a permanent resident which comes to most people who sojourn in Washington.

The excursion activity occasioned by the Jamestown exposition will doubtless make a proper amount of extra work for the steamboat inspectors.

President Roosevelt makes it a rule, once he has made a positive stand, to let other people do most of the regretting.

Senator Penrose commands respectful consideration as a man who knows when he has nothing more to say.

SHOOTING STARS.
The New System.
"I suppose you feel safer since the pure food laws have been passed."

"No. The only difference is that in order to enjoy my dinner I have to be careful to avoid reading the labels."

The Commencement of a Career.
"How did you come to elect him to Congress?"

"Well," answered Farmer Cornsloss, "he was about the only man around here who didn't have any regular business to tend to, and we thought we'd send him along where he couldn't take up so much of our time tellin' stories."

A Vernal Poem.
Oh, has the springtime truly come,
The time we've longed to know,
Or is it merely resting some
Before another snow?

Making a Distinction.
"That politician declared he never said anything he was sorry for."

"Yes. But that doesn't mean he never said anything he ought to be sorry for."

Different.
"Somewhere the sun is always shining," quoted the laboriously cheerful person.

"Not this year," answered the ruthless one. "The reports show that somewhere the blizzard is always raising Cain."

A Solemn Warning.
They picture me in guise grotesque,
They sneer at what I say;
They pilfer papers from my desk,
And peddle them for pay.
When philanthropic gifts I bring
"They're tainted," men declare;
And oh! it is a fearful thing
To be a billionaire!

The snap shot artists lie in wait
To get you on the run;
The solemn facts you strive to state
Are changed to ribald fun.
The anarchists their greetings bring
To treat you to a scare;
And oh! it is a fearful thing
To be a billionaire!

Reach out, my son, as forth you go
Your share of wealth to clutch!
But have a care in doing so
For for you get too much
To moderate ambitions cling;
Seek not the lion's share,
For oh! it is a fearful thing
To be a billionaire!

Is This Jealousy?
From the Pittsburgh Gazette.
Hasn't a suffering public had about enough of this "Broadway" business in play, song, monologue, sketch and other stage devices put forth to scoop in the dollars of poor west of the river? These dollars are good money and they are deserving of something more worth while than this everlasting chatter of Broadway. Some time ago I observed that the country was being sufficed with glorification of a thoroughfare noted principally for its flaunting vice with an especially alluring glamour. The fact is, there are a great many people this side of Hoboken who have seen Broadway, startling as this assertion may seem to some New Yorkers, and they are not tremendously concerned with it. They know some of the spheres far more wholesome and far more American in may cities than that to be found on Broadway when the electric lights begin to twinkle.

Railroad Rates and Postage.
From the Pathfinder.
The railroads are fighting with tooth and nail the laws being pushed in various states to limit fares to 2 cents a mile; they declare with tears in their eyes that if they cut fares they will lose money. And yet when Uncle Sam reduced letter postage from 3 cents a half ounce to 2 cents an ounce the receipts soon jumped enough to more than make up.

Only Square Deal Wanted.
From the Philadelphia Inquirer.
All that is wanted in behalf of the people is a perfectly square deal on the part of the roads. There is no inclination to restrict their management or to go beyond the general policies laid down by federal legislation.

Have Scientific Justification.
From the New York World.
The Johns Hopkins professor who offers proof that the Mediterranean sperm whale could swallow a man the size of Jonah deserves the thanks of all lovers of fish stories.

Is This a Righteous Peace?
From the Baltimore American.
Tammany Hall and the mayor of New York are to bury the hatchet. First moral effect of the late peace conference. This ought to encourage the movement considerably.

China.
From the Chicago Record-Herald.
The Chinese are busy building up an army on European and American lines. Also the Chinese are busy keeping away from peace congresses of the kind well to keep an eye or two on the Chinese.

Don't Have a Spasm.
From the Birmingham Ledger.
Spasms of virtue and spasms of reform do no good. The only way to effect reform is by cool, persistent, determined effort.

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